FAKE SHEEP

Klu thar rgyal ཀླུ་ཐར་རྒྱལ།

In 2019, Nor bu decided to do business using WeChat after observing some of his neighbors getting richer. Someone with the moniker "Young Sheep Owner" replied soon after Nor bu posted his first message: "Hi, I have ten sheep."

"I want to see their front teeth and tails. Send me pictures!" Nor bu replied without a greeting.

A transaction was soon completed. Nor bu was satisfied and was more passionate about doing business with this new technology.

However, several months later, he noticed that his new sheep were rapidly weakening. Further investigation revealed some sheep lacked front teeth, and the few teeth the others had were broken or made of plastic. Nor bu realized he had been tricked.

TIBETAN TERMS

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nor bu ནོར་བུ།

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